# Quartz Class Newsletter

Quartz Class Teachers: Mrs Scott and Mrs Cassell

Teaching Assistant - Mrs Calver



#### P.E is on Wednesday and Thursday

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Please ensure your child has their P.E kit in school and remove earrings on these days—this is a health & safety issue.



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#### Curriculum information Our topic in term 2 is Tudor Kings and Queens



This term our topic is Tudor Kings and Queens. We will be learning about Henry VII and VIII and Elizabeth I in this history based topic. We have linked Literacy, Art, geography and topic together to look at the subject from a variety of angles. We will be using web sites and books to look at family trees and some major events of the time. As a finale, we will be visiting Leeds Castle and experiencing one of Henry VIII's castles first hand.

In maths, this term, we will be working on multiplication and division, measuring capacity and length, continuing with Big Maths and tables and will be using skills to solve problems.

In English, we will be writing journey stories, using our topic as a starting point. We will also be writing recounts, concentrating on our visit to Leeds Castle and learning about grammar through these units.

In **phonics**, we will continue to revise the Letters and Sound's Phase 5 and will also work through the No Nonsense Spelling scheme, which, as the name suggests concentrates not only on reading the words but spelling them.

In Science, we will continue to look at Animals Including Humans. For PE, we will be learning Tudor dances and practising Attack, Defend and Shooting skills. Continuing Zippy Time for PSHE, we will concentrate on communication.

### Reading books

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## How can you help at home?

- Times tables songs (2, 5 and 10)
- Reading books, comics, signs, labels-ANYTHING!
- Spelling words each week
- Writing simple stories/news using adjectives, adverbs and similes
- Doubling and halving
- Cooking—this will help with capacity, time and weighing!

Don't forget your child's parent consultation appointment:

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 4 - 7pm Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 3.30-5pm

Appointment slips came home with your child this week.

#### Water bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.

## Clothing

Please make sure all items of your child's clothing has their name on it. It makes it much easier to reunite children with lost clothes. This includes their PE kit.

Thank you